IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 83, without prejudice; and substitute amended claim 82 as follows:

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82. (Amended) A carrier medium carrying computer readable code for controlling a processor to carry out the method of any one of claims 14 to 26 and 48 to 51.

REMARKS

Consideration of this application, as preliminarily amended, is respectfully requested.

THE SPECIFICATION

The specification has been amended to identify the present application as a continuation-in-part of application serial number 09/615,295 filed on July 13, 2000, and to explicitly state that the present application claims the benefit of said application serial number 09/615,295, as required by 37 CFR 1.78.

Submitted herewith is a marked up copy of page 1 of the application to show the amendment thereto.

THE CLAIMS

Claim 83 has been canceled, without prejudice, and claim 82 has been amended to delete therefrom improper multiple dependencies.

Submitted herewith is a marked up copy of page 52 of the application showing the amendment to claim 82.

It is respectfully requested that this Preliminary Amendment be approved and entered, and that prosecution on the merits be initiated taking into account this Preliminary Amendment.

If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,

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